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LRITC/Administration

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



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WE DID IT!

Our recent occupancy of the new Library, Research, and Information Technology Center marked the beginning of a new chapter in library and information services for Broward County and Nova Southeastern University. The new 325,000 square foot facility offers opportunities (limited only to our imagination) to expand current services and implement new ones for both county residents and NSU students, faculty, and staff.

When I ask county residents and members of the NSU family what they think of the new joint-use library, they use words like "awesome" and "unbelievable" to describe it. I am grateful that the users think highly of the new facility. Based on recent circulation figures, the public and university are already checking out a large number of items.

The NSU library system and Broward County libraries enjoy a long-standing reputation for excellent services and a committed staff. The Einstein Library, however, was far too small for NSU's central library. Years ago,

a "dream" for a new NSU central library was formulated in the minds of many.

Planning the new facility, working with the architects and construction personnel, planning/implementing the move into the new quarters, preparing the service areas for users, employing the new staff, dedicating the new building, raising funds, etc. required a large amount of energy and work from everyone.

When I came to NSU a few years back, I was told by some that a new central library for NSU was only a dream that may never become a reality. Due to your hard work, dedication, and the vision and action of President Ferrero and the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the joint-use library is much more encompassing than just a new library for NSU. Special thanks to all!

Don Riggs

Vice President for Information
Services and University Librarian

A good library is a place, a palace where the lofty spirits of all nations and generations meet.

-- Samuel Nigër (1883-1956)

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHTS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following NSU library employees who were recognized at the **NSU Employee Anniversary Luncheon** on December 13, 2001.

30 Years of Service

Bob Boğorff—LRITC

20 Years of Service

Kathleen Maxson—Oceanographic Center

Sheryl Womack—Law Library

15 Years of Service

Marty Mandt—LRITC

Pedro Perez—Law Library

10 Years of Service

Janice Gottlieb—HPD Library

Nora Quinlan—LRITC

Johanna Tunon—LRITC

Vicky Zaetler—HPD Library

5 Years of Service

Angela Cromwell—LRITC

Hilary O'Sullivan—HPD Library

Donna Struthers—Law Library

JAIMI STOUT

ACQUISITIONS MANAGER, *Law Library*

For the better part of my life, I lived in Upstate New York in a small town nestled in the heart of the Finger Lakes region. The Finger Lakes region is known for its delectable wines, Glen Racetrack and breathtaking, picture perfect, landscape. In the summer of 1995, I graduated from Dundee Central School along with 80 other classmates. Let's just say, with only 80 names to remember, all the graduates knew each other and their families well. August, of the same year, I attended California University of Pennsylvania as an Oceanographic Science major.

Feeling the need to see a real ocean and not the local lake flowing behind the school, I transferred to Nova Southeastern University following my freshman year. Florida was a culture shock to say the least! After 5 years, I am still trying to adjust to the heat, traffic and cultural diversity South Florida offers. While attending Nova, I became bored with the mundane study of the ocean. During my sophomore year, I changed my major to include the study of law. May of 1999, I graduated with a Bachelor of Science with a minor in Law from Nova. Shortly thereafter, I was accepted to the Conflict Analysis and Resolution Master's program. This program has reshaped my attitude, social perspective and mindset. I cannot say enough about the program and the ways in which it has enlightened me. Presently, as a student in the program, I volunteer at the Salvation Army. We develop workshops aimed at the client's needs. Topics include: anger management, interviewing skills, non-verbal communication, stress reduction, inter-group relations, and cultural awareness. Working at the Salvation Army has been a rewarding experience and anyone who has a bias towards the homeless should invest a few hours of their time at a local shelter. Afterwards, you will look around you, and see just how vulnerable we all are.

My future plans include a law degree. I plan to specialize in either International Humanitarian Law or Civil Rights. I have found, through my experiences with the Salvation Army and the Conflict Analysis and Resolution Program, a profound need for alternative approaches to war, violence, and the security of individual freedoms. I may not practice law, but I feel I need knowledge of the legal system in order to make concrete changes in the political structure of this country and others. Yes, I have a save the world view, but we all need to start somewhere!

For the time being, I reside in Plantation with two roommates and my adorable Bassett hound, Baxter. I will be graduating from the Master's program in June 2002. Following graduation, I will either join the large community of loan-ridden law students or find employment working with "people in conflict". In addition, I plan to travel back to New York and establish permanent residence there.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Suzi Hayes**, *Library, Research, and Information Technology Center*, for being the recipient of the Special Libraries Association President's Award. This award is given to an individual member(s) for a notable or important contribution during the past Association year. Suzi chaired a taskforce made up of a dozen members from the US and Canada. Their goal was to make the function of the association more flexible and responsive to members by recommending new configurations for geographic chapters and subject divisions as well as the bylaws.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Nora Quinlan**, *Library, Research, and Information Technology Center* who is the newly appointed Vice President for the Broward County Library Association. She is also serving as the Chair of the 2002 Rare Books and Manuscript Section PreConference Program Committee for the next ALA summer conference to be held in Atlanta.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Mimi Hershenson**, *Library, Research, and Information Technology Center*, who has been nominated for the office of Vice President, President-Elect, Florida Library Association. Vote for Mimi!

CONFERENCE REVIEW

Mahmuda Mondol, *HPD Library*

From October 23-27, 2001, Hilary O'Sullivan and I attended the tri-chapter meeting (MLA, HSLC, and OCLC) in New Orleans, Louisiana. On Wednesday we attended a full day seminar on Alternative Medicine. The presenters were Sharon A. Lazotte, MHE, MLIS, Consumer Health consultant and Theresa Arndt, MLS. They spoke on the different aspects of alternative medicine, like: herbal medicine, homeopathic medicine, acupuncture, Chinese exercises which can be helpful for maintaining health. This seminar was both helpful and informative. Hilary especially enjoyed this seminar, since she teaches our students a class on Alternative Health Databases. One of the presenters mentioned that an inexpensive way of cleaning dentures is using lemon juice and water; this is more effective than expensive cleaning agents.

On Thursday we attended a seminar on the different ILL Management Systems.

On Friday we heard Dr. Joanne G. Marshall, AHIP, speak about the value of libraries in the information age during a session titled, "Valuing Ourselves and our Work in the Information Age."

SEFLIN'S VISTA AWARD

Directors of member libraries may nominate an employee or team of employees for distinguished service in furthering SEFLIN's goals and mission. Staff may be recognized for work on a specific SEFLIN project or a local library project that enhances access to resources. This year, Don Riggs nominated the Document Delivery Team of the Einstein Library, now known as the new Library, Research, and Information Technology Center. The NSU Document Delivery team may be recognized for its continued efficiency and effectiveness in providing document delivery services to NSU faculty, staff, and students, and in providing excellent services to the SEFLIN community as a net lender.

The members of the staff of the Document Delivery team are **Rebekah Benison, Anthony Clementi, Nicolas Dominkovics, Daniel Esquivel, Yvette Gilkes, Rosa Gutierrez, Jennifer Isaacs, Tanya Lopez, and Katie Turner**, with **Jim Hutchens** as the Head of Document Delivery.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WILDSPOT MALAYSIAN: A PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBIT

will be the first exhibit to be held in the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center. Watch for further information about this exciting exhibit that will be displayed from March 21 to June 21, 2002.

CHILDREN and YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Be sure to check out the Public Library Services area in the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center for information regarding events for children in the month of February. Read a book! Make a bookmark! Go online! Programs for various age groups include Kids Online, Bedtime Stories, Story-Time Fun, Crafty Kids, and Crafty Teens. Dates and times are available at the Red desk.

LITERARY FEST 2002

Twenty-three nationally recognized authors will take part in this year's *Literary Fest 2002*. It is a three part event, with the final event, Day of Literary Lectures being hosted in our new Library, Research, and Information Technology Center on March 9. Authors will give lectures and participate in book signings. Elaine Blattner is also looking for library employees who would be willing to volunteer for this event. Please call her at x4621 or Cindy Levin at x4627.

A SPECIAL THANKSGIVING

Rosann Auchstetter, *Law Library*

At Thanksgiving, my husband, Bob Beeman, and I join four generations of Beeman's in Villa Park, Illinois. One of the family traditions is to participate in the local Turkey Trot. This is an 8K run/walk race along parts of the Illinois Prairie Path and local streets to benefit the Greater Chicago Food Bank. The tradition began with a dare made by one of my brothers-in-law to his daughters and nephews. The first "running" Beeman to finish the 2001 race was our son-in-law, Rob Russ. This is the fourth year Rob has finished first among the family members. I, unfortunately, injured my foot and was unable to join the family members who walked the course this year.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY January—March

HPD LIBRARY

Kaye Robertson	1/22
Janice Gottlieb	2/3
Hilary O'Sullivan	2/7
Carlos Lopez	2/18

LAW LIBRARY

Maxine Scheffler	1/2
Frank Novak	1/8
Stephan Sobchak	1/9
Ray Andrade	1/20
Rosann Auchstetter	1/31
Lisa Smith-Butler	1/31
Diane Altimari	2/6

LRITC

Anne Leon	1/5
Amanda Roberts	1/11
Karen Bledsoe	1/27
Carole McWhorter	2/1
Pam Beegle	2/6
Anna Vega	2/6
Jeannie Causey	2/12
Lia Hemphill	2/24
Cindy Cantagallo	2/24
Juliane Sardina	2/26
Vanita Chauhan	2/27
Fleda Silverberg	2/28
Jennifer Lukaszuk	3/3
Johanna Tunon	3/8
Laura Clune	3/17
Dante Tang	3/19
Sandra Ramdial	3/20
Peggy Jones	3/21
Jim Hutchens	3/27

WHAT'S NEW AT.

HPD LIBRARY

A warm welcome is extended to **Marilia Esquivel** who joined the staff in the study center.

A speedy recovery to **Hilary O'Sullivan** following emergency surgery.

LAW LIBRARY

Jason Rosenberg joined the staff by accepting the position of *Computer Support Specialist*.

LIBRARY, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER

We welcome **Amy Stultz**, *Youth Services Librarian* who began working on October 1. The Youth Services department also welcomes the following *Library Assistant II*, **Jaime Hilliard**, **Sheryll Kaighn**, and **Leah Luft**. **Juliane Sardina**, **Maryann Schultz**, and **Carole McWhorter** accepted the position of *Library Assistant II* in the Circulation Department. **Laura Clune** began working in the position of *Librarian Assistant III* in Circulation on October 22. **Dante Tang** and **Elaine Taylor** both accepted the position of *Youth Services Librarian*.

Be sure to introduce yourselves to **Conrad Roth** as he delivers mail in your departments!

Johanna Tunon has been accepted to do a presentation at the North American Regional Conference (ICKE/CADE) at Athabasca in May. The presentation entitled, "How Do You Spell 'Support'? Multiple Methods of Library Support to Distributed Education Programs will be given by Johanna along with Paul Pival — former librarian in the Einstein Library now living in Canada. **Johanna** and **Mou Chakraborty** are also presenting at the Off-Campus Libraries Conference in Cincinnati in April 2002.

Don Riggs served as the main speaker for a conference in Taipei, Taiwan, last November. Rather than flying to Taipei, Don videotaped his speech ("The Growing Importance of Infrastructure and Policy in Global Library Resource Sharing") and mailed a copy to Taipei.

Lia Hemphill, **Harriett MacDougall**, **Nora Quinlan**, **Peggy Richard**, **Don Riggs**, **Amanda Roberts**, and **Johanna Tunon** attended the American Library Association Conference held in New Orleans in January. Much was accomplished in the areas of recruiting and committee work.

Laura Lucio Ramirez, *North Miami Beach Branch Library*, will make a presentation at the IFLA Conference in Miami, April 17-19. The topic will be "Considerations, Challenges, and Concerns for Providing Library Services to Nova Southeastern University's Distance Students in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Jim Hutchens, **Nora Quinlan**, and **Johanna Tunon** will make a presentation at the Solinet Annual Meeting in Atlanta, May 2-3, on "Publicizing Library Services to Remote Users".

The Editors of
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welcome any
and all suggestions.

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HELLO BABY!

Several library employees have enjoyed new additions to their families this past year:

At the *HPD Library*, **Alex Wachslar** became a grandfather to **Julian Michael**, born November 1, 2001. **Janice Gottlieb** became the proud grandmother of **Evan Mathieu** born on November 5, 2001. **Mahmuda Mondol** also became a proud grandmother to **Marc Jayden** who was born on December 19, 2001. **Mary Lawrence** became a great-grandmother on September 10, 2001 to **Lydia**. **Ariana Elisa** brought tons of smiles to her grandmother, **Kaye Robertson**, on March 9, 2001.

At the *Law Library*, **Betty Maxwell** became a grandmother to Savannah Nicole born two months early on November 1, 2001.

And at the *Library, Research, and Information Technology Center*, **Peggy Richard** became the proud grandmother of **Gabrielle Elizabeth** who weighed in at 7 lbs. and 6 ozs. on October 26, 2001. **Alina Patricia** brought bundles of joy and happiness to her Nana, **Anne Leon**, on January 25th, 2002. And finally, **Marty Mandt** is a grandmother! Her son, Mike, and his wife, Amy, are in Russia adopting two little ones. A baby girl, Kendall, 6 months old and a little boy, Cole, who is 18 months old. They were not related before they were adopted. The adoption was finalized on Wednesday January 30, 2002. They will go to the US Embassy in Moscow to be sworn in as United States Citizens. They will arrive home, Orange Park, FL, Tuesday night the 5th after a 24 hour flight. Both grandparents plan to visit the babies on February 7th.

Library Listings

Archives: 262-4642

East Campus: 262-4607

HPD:

Circulation 262-3106

Reference 262-3117

Law:

Circulation 262-6202

Reference 262-6201

LRITC:

Circulation 262-4601

Reference 262-4613

Oceanography: 262-3643

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Law: Billie Jo Kaufman

LRITC: Harriett MacDougall